

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION  
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EXPERIENCED ATTORNEYS/GS-12 to GS-15**

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Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be an active member of the bar in good standing (any jurisdiction), and have at least one year of post-J.D. litigation/legal experience. Applicants must demonstrate superior research, analytical, and writing abilities, Judicial clerkship or comparable experience is desirable. Performance of responsibilities will entail occasional travel to federal courts of appeal around the country.

Applicants must submit a resume or current OF-612 (Optional Application for Federal Employment), a cover letter (highlighting relevant experience and salary history) and a writing sample to:

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